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TITLE: CURRENT COLLECTOR FOR LITHIUM ELECTRODE

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR §1.10: I hereby certify that this Utility Patent Application Transmittal and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service, in an Express mail envelop addressed to: Box CPA, Assistant Commissioner of Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, "EXPRESS No. EV 138 188 042 US, on this 17th day of October, 2002.

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Sir:

This is a request for a ☒ continuation or ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(d), (continued prosecution application (CPA) of prior application number 09/067,208 filed on April 28, 1998, entitled CURRENT COLLECTOR FOR LITHIUM ELECTRODE.

Filing Qualifications: The prior application identified above is a nonprovisional application that is either: (1) complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b) and filed on or after June 8, 1995, or (2) the national stage of an international application in compliance with 35 USC 371 and filed on or after June 8, 1995.

Express Abandonment: The filing of this CPA is a request to expressly abandon the prior application as of the filing date of the request for a CPA.

35 U.S.C. 120 Statement: A request for a CPA is the specific reference required by 35 USC 120 and to every application assigned the application number identified in such request, 37 CFR 1.78(a).

☒ Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on August 23, 2002 under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.

☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 CFR 1.153(d)(4).

☐ DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:

☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.

We are transmitting herewith the attached:

☒ Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) Request Transmittal

☒ Preliminary amendment

☒ Request for Three-Month Extension of Time

☐ New Power of Attorney

☐ Information Disclosure Statement

☐ PTO Form 1449

☐ Copies of Cited references

☒ Applicant hereby petitions for a three-months extension of time in the prior application. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

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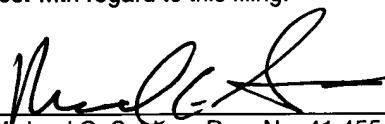


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FEE CALCULATION	No. of Claims Filed	Claims Included in Base Fee	No. of Extra Claims	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	50	90	=	x 18	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	10	=	x 80	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims				+ 270	
Basic Filing Fee					\$740.00
TOTAL					\$740.00

- ☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 13-2546 in the amount \$740.00 for the filing fee and \$920.00 for the three-month extension fee for a total amount of **\$1,660.00**.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 or 1.18 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2546. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed.
- ☐ It is believed that no extension of time is required to maintain pendency of the originally filed application for a sufficient period to file the present CPA. However, if an extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for an extension.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2546 for any fees necessary for an extension of time and any additional fees which may have been overlooked on this CPA Request with regard to this filing.

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